

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT**

Endowments Department - Allegations of irregularities against Sri C.Prem Kumar, Regional Joint Commissioner of Endowments, in granting rights for collection & Selling of lotus flowers from Sri Bhardwaj Theertham pond of Sri Kalahastheeswara Swamy temple, Srikalahasthi, in the temple premises - Departmental action initiated - Charged Officer expired - Further action abated - Orders -Issued.

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**REVENUE (VIGILANCE-IV) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.RT.No. 426**

**Dated:15.05.2015**

**Read the following:**

- 1.From the G.A (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, Report No.32 (C.No.277/V&E/D3/2008), dated:11.5.2011.
- 2.G.O.Rt.No.1341, Rev/Vig.IV(1)/2011, dated:10.11.2011.
- 3.Explanation of Sri C.Prem Kumar, Regional Joint Commissioner, Endowments Department, dated:24.12.2012.
- 4.G.O.Rt.No.1552, Rev/Vig.IV(1)/2011, dated:01.11.2012.
- 5.G.O.Rt.No.1553, Rev/Vig.IV(1)/2011, dated:01.11.2012.
- 6.Enquiry Report of Sri Lingaraj Panigrahi, I.A.S, General Administration Department, dated:23.4.2013.
- 7.Govt.Memo.No.28304/Rev.Vig.IV(1)/2011, dated: 30.11.2013.
- 8.From the Commissioner of Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad, Letter No.E2/22394/2013, dated:06.11.2013 along with representation of Smt.C.Sasikala, W/o Sri C.Prem Kumar, Regional Joint Commissioner.
9. From the Commissioner of Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad, Letter No.V1/42569/2011, dated:19-01-2015.

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**ORDER:**

Whereas, in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Director General, Vigilance & Enforcement, Hyderabad have conducted a detailed enquiry on the allegations against Sri C.Prem Kumar, formerly Regional Joint Commissioner & former Executive Officer, Srikalahastheeswara Swamy Temple, Srikalahasthi, Chittoor district, in connection with irregularities in granting rights for collection of Lotus flowers from Sri Bhardwaj Theertham Temple pond and Selling Lotus flowers to the devotees in the premises of temple.

2. After examining the report of Director General (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, it was decided to initiate disciplinary action against Sri C.Prem Kumar and accordingly, article of charges were framed on him vide reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited calling for his explanation. He has submitted his written statement of defence vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above. The matter was examined and in the reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above, Government have appointed Sri Lingaraj Panigrahi, I.A.S, General Administration Department, as Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges framed against him.

3. The Inquiring Authority has conducted inquiry and submitted inquiry report vide reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above holding that the charges are not proved against the charged officer Sri C.Prem Kumar. The findings of the Inquiring Authority was examined and the Commissioner of Endowments Department, A.P., was requested to furnish a copy of the tender document vide Memo 7<sup>th</sup> read above.

4. The Commissioner of Endowments Department vide reference 9<sup>th</sup> read above has informed that the license for collection and selling of lotus of flowers was put in public auction on 23.3.2004 by the subject temple but not by way of tender system and the amount deposited by the depositors. The Commissioner of Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad has also informed that the said charged officer Sri C.Prem Kumar was expired on 03-9-2013 and his wife requested for release of pensionary benefits.

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5. After careful examination, Government has decided to abate further action on Sri C.Prem Kumar and accordingly direct the Commissioner of Endowments to take further action in terms of G.O.Ms.No.85, Finance & Planning (Fin.Pen.I) Department, dated:12.7.1999 for the financial loss caused to the Government, if any.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**J.S.V.PRASAD  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner of Endowments, A.P., Hyderabad,  
The General Administration (V&E) Department, Hyderabad,  
The Secretary to VC, A.P. Vigilance Commission, A.P Secretariat, Hyderabad,  
The Accountant General, Hyderabad,

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**/FORWARDED::BY ORDER//**

**SECTION OFFICER**